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GOV. EASLEY APPOINTS RIFKIN AND WADE TO N.C. HOLOCAUST COUNCIL

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley has appointed **Mitch Rifkin** of Charlotte and **Jonathan Wade** of Sylva to the N.C. Holocaust Council.

Rifkin is a financial service representative at Wall Street Capitol/Metropolitan Life in Charlotte. He is former president of Temple Beth El, former president of the Charlotte Apparel Association and a member of the Retail Advisory Board of the University of South Carolina (USC) at Columbia. Rifkin received his bachelor's degree in marketing and economics from USC.

Wade is a center fellow at the N.C. Center for the Advancement of Teaching in Cullowhee. He received his bachelor's degree in history from Abilene Christian University in Texas, his master's degree in ethics from Vanderbilt University in Tennessee and his doctorate in humanities from the University of Texas at Dallas.

The council works to develop educational programs to prevent future atrocities similar to the genocide during World War II. The council has 24 members, each serving a two-year term. The governor appoints six members.

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